

Macon County Board of Commissioners
Courthouse Commissioner's Meeting Room

Regular Meeting
February 1, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Chairman Carl Oliver
Commissioner Vice-Chairman Bob Melvin
Commissioner A. Richmond Felton
Commissioner Benjamin Haugabook, Sr.
Commissioner Mickey George
Kelvin C. Lewis, County Manager
Roselyn Starling, Deputy County Manager
Satina S. James, Deputy County Clerk
Jon Coogle, County Attorney

Commissioner-Chairman Oliver called the meeting to order and gave the opening prayer.

Chairman Oliver called for a motion to approve minutes. Commissioner Felton made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2022, regular meeting as presented. Commissioner Haugabook seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

Invited Guest: Kent McCormick of Triple Point Engineering gave an update on the Cap repairs at the Landfill required by EPD. He reported that they are at the point of soliciting bids for the Cap repairs. One item in the Cap repairs is a regrading process that requires adding soil to the landfill. Two soil collection locations have been identified. Kent suggested utilizing the County property at the landfill that was purchased for additional groundwater monitoring wells as the third location for additional soil collection as this would reduce the hauling fees for the project. They are looking to provide a one hundred feet buffer between property lines and provide clearing and grubbing of the area. Kent recommends the County secure the landfill. He has seen vivid proof that people are hunting on the landfill grounds and says that it is not appropriate. They have found feeders, hog traps and deer stands. Deputy County Manager Starling explained that part of the conditions of purchasing the land to install the well needed for the landfill was to allow the previous owners an easement to their property to hunt. The Board discussed the need to verify if the people are hunting on county land or their land. The Board did not have any objection to Kent's suggestion on using soil already on site at the county landfill.

Committee/Department Reports: None

Consent Agenda: None

Old Business:

1. **Redistricting** – County Manager Lewis gave an update on the submission of the Board of Commissioners redistricting map. In his most recent conversation, the Reapportionment office had some small concerns regarding a few technical areas; however, he feels confident the Commissioners' submitted redistricting map will be introduced to the Legislation by the February 18, 2022, deadline to make the March 2022 elections. Representative Bentley and Senator Harbison are ready to move forward to get the bill in motion. County Manager Lewis will email the Board of Commissioners the revised submitted Redistricting Map.

New Business:

1. **Approval of Probate and Magistrate Court Judges to Become nonpartisan Elections**
County Manager Lewis shared with Commissioners that the language in the Resolution is sound and should pass Legislation. Chairman Oliver called for a motion. Commissioner Haugabook made a motion to approve submitting a Resolution to the Georgia House of Representatives for the Probate and Magistrate Court Judges of Macon County to become nonpartisan on the Election ballot.

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Commissioner George seconded the motion. Commissioners voted and the motion carried 4 to 1. Vice-Chairman Melvin voted no.

2. Approval of Updated Drug & Alcohol Policy with Resource Management Services

Deputy County Manager Starling explained that Resource Management Services changed their Medical Review Officers and their drug testing facilities. These changes require RMS to update their policy. Chairman Oliver called for a motion. Commissioner George made a motion to approve the Updated Drug & Alcohol Policy with Resource Management Services. Commissioner Felton seconded the motion. Commissioners voted and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Jeneverlyn Tookes, President of Macon County NAACP requested the use of the Preston Williams Center to hold political forums in April and October of 2022. Chairman Oliver called for a motion. Commissioner Felton motioned to approve the NAACP use of the Preston Williams Center for political forums in April and October 2022. Commissioner Haugabook seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.

Adjourn:

There being no further business, Chairman Oliver called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Haugabook made the motion to adjourn. Commissioner George seconded the motion and the vote carried unanimously.



Carl Oliver, Chairman